(c) what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI N.T.SHANMUGAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reasons for the accident are being enquired into by the Director-General of Mines Safety, a statutory body of the Government of India under the Ministry of Labour. From the report received, it has been informed that while 15 (fifteen) workers were engaged for drilling and preparation for blasting operation, at about 3.50 P.M. on 24-6-2000, there was sliding of boulders and other materials from rise side of the quarry. The rolling mass moved towards the site where the workers were engaged. Sensing the trouble, five workers ran off to safer places but ten of them tried to take shelter against nearby drill machine and explosive van which got toppled trapping the workers.

(c) Action will be taken by the government after the statutory enquiry is complete.

Action Against U.P.D.S.G.

*159. SHRI RAMACHANDRAIAH RUMANDLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether 2000 non-tribals have been forced to flee from Karbi Anglong district of Assam due to militant dictates;

(b) whether militants killed more than 20 villagers in the district in May, 2000, as they failed to pay the annual taxes to the militants; and

(c) if so, the reasons why the State Administration is reluctant to take any action against the United People Democratic Solidarity Group?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) There are reports that following killings of non tribals in April and July, 2000 by United People's Democratic Solidarity (UPDS) in Karbi Anglong district of Assam; a large number of non-tribals have left the district.

(b) and (c) There were no killings in May, 2000. United People's

Democratic Solidarity (UPDS) has been attacking non-Karbis in their ethnic cleansing programme. The Government of Assam has been making vigorous efforts to contain the activities of the UPDS and arrest UPDS cadres. Apart from one company of Army, reinforcements comprising CRPF and Assam Police have also been rushed to the affected areas.

Terrorism in J and K

†*160. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of bomb explosion, rocket launching and massacre occurred in Jammu and Kashmir from January, 2000 till date, alongwith the locations thereof;

(b) the number of extremists arrested and killed;

(c) the places where from the infiltration is taking place alongwith the measures taken to check it;

(d) the number of soldiers killed and also the number of inno ent people killed alongwith the locations of such killings; and

(e) what measures have been taken to check all these type of incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (e) As reported by the State Government data with regards to explosions viz. blasts, grenade attacks and rocket attacks that have taken place in J and K during the current year (till 15.7.2000) arc as follows:—

District	Grenade attacks	Blast/ Explosions	Rocket attacks	Total
Srinagar	58	30	02	90
Budgam	01	06	—	07

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.